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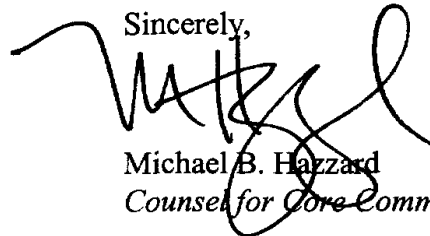
Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting by Core Communications, Inc.
CC Docket No. 99-68, CPD Docket No. 01-171, and WCB Docket No. 03-171

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, I hereby submit in the above-captioned proceedings this notice of an *ex parte* meeting held on August 10, 2004 between Bret Mingo, Chris Van de Verg and myself on behalf of Core Communications, Inc. ("Core"), and Jessica Rosenworcel from the FCC. The attached document served as the basis of discussion. During the meeting Core also discussed its pending waiver petition and forbearance petition, as well as Core's mandamus petition pending at the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. All of Core's comments were consistent with Core's advocacy in these documents. This notice of *ex parte* is being filed by hand in CPD Docket No. 01-171, as electronic filing is not available in that docket.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Michael B. Hazzard
Counsel for Core Communication, Inc.

Attachment

cc: Jessica Rosenworcel (electronic mail)
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CORE-VERIZON INTERCONNECTION TIMELINE

1999	Core begins substantial investment for implementation of its business plan in Delaware, New York and Pennsylvania.
February 2000	Core requests interconnection with Verizon in Philadelphia.
June 2000	Core requests interconnection with Verizon in Pittsburgh and New York City.
April 2001	FCC issues <i>ISP Remand Order</i> – growth cap and new market bar apply for all carriers that were not exchanging traffic pursuant to an interconnection agreement prior to April 18, 2001.
April 2001	14 months after Core's request, Verizon completes interconnection with Core in Philadelphia. Core begins to offer service in Philadelphia.
June 2001	12 months after Core's request, Verizon completes interconnection with Core in Pittsburgh and New York City. Core begins to offer service in Pittsburgh and New York City.
February 2004	Maryland Public Service Commission finds Verizon "violat[ed] the standards of the [interconnection agreement, incorporating the 1996 Act,] that require interconnection equal in quality; at a technically feasible point; and that is just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory; in addition to fail[ing] to meet a commercially reasonable standard of good faith."